

## *St. Louis City Ordinance 63673*

FLOOR SUBSTITUTE

BOARD BILL NO. [95] 300

INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN STEPHEN CONWAY , FRANCIS G. SLAY

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS:

An ordinance pertaining to carbon monoxide detectors, requiring the installation of approved carbon monoxide detectors in certain new and existing structures within the City of St. Louis in which carbon monoxide may be present as a result of a source of heat or energy which is created by fossil fuel or by the use of machinery powered by fossil fuel; providing for rules and regulations regarding the implementation and administration of provisions herein; and containing a penalty clause and an emergency clause.

SECTION ONE. Except for those buildings and structures which are specifically exempted under Section Two herein, the owner of every new building or structure within the City of St. Louis that is heated by a fossil fuel powered heating unit which is fully contained within the interior of the building or structure, and every new building or structure in which machinery, which is powered by fossil fuel, is operated, shall install not less than one (1) approved carbon monoxide detector in the room containing the heating unit or the area in which the machinery is operated.

Except for those buildings and structures which are specifically exempted under Section Two herein, the owner of every existing building or structure within the City of St. Louis that is heated by a fossil fuel powered heating unit which is fully contained within the interior of the building or structure, and every existing building or structure in which machinery, which is powered by fossil fuel, is operated, shall install, within six (6) months of the approval date of this ordinance, not less than one (1) approved carbon monoxide detector in the room containing the heating unit or the area in which the machinery is operated.

SECTION TWO. The following new or existing buildings and structures shall not require carbon monoxide detectors:

1. Single family residential buildings.

2. Multiple family residential buildings containing fewer than twenty (20) units, unless said building contains twelve (12) or more separate fossil fuel powered heating units on the same building level.

SECTION THREE. Whenever used in this ordinance, the term "fossil fuel" shall include coal, natural gas, kerosene, oil, propane and wood.

SECTION FOUR. A carbon monoxide detector is deemed approved for purposes of this ordinance if it complies with all applicable state and federal regulations, and bears the label of a nationally recognized standard testing laboratory, and meets the standard of at least UL 2034 or its equivalent. The Fire Marshal shall issue rules and regulations, not inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance, for the implementation and administration of the provisions of this ordinance relating to carbon monoxide detectors.

SECTION FIVE. It shall be unlawful for any person to, in any way to make inoperable a carbon monoxide detector required under this ordinance, except that this provision shall not apply to any building owner, manager, and/or agent of said building owner or manager in the normal procedure of maintenance including replacement of batteries.

SECTION SIX. The owner of a building or structure, which is not exempt under Section Two herein, shall supply, install, test, as per the manufacturers specifications, and maintain required carbon monoxide detectors. The owner shall also supply all necessary equipment required for the operation of said detectors.

SECTION SEVEN. PENALTY. Any violation of this ordinance shall be punishable by a fine of not less than \$300.00 nor more than \$500.00 and/or confinement for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days. Each day that said violation continues shall constitute a separate violation of Section One.

SECTION EIGHT. EMERGENCY. This being an ordinance for the preservation of public peace, health, and safety, it is hereby declared to be an emergency measure within the meaning of Sections 19 and 20 of Article IV of the Charter of the City of St. Louis and therefore shall become effective immediately upon its passage and approval by the mayor.

Legislative History				
1ST READING	REF TO COMM	COMMITTEE	COMM SUB	COMM AMEND

01/26/96	01/26/96	PS	02/22/96	
<b>2ND READING</b>	<b>FLOOR AMEND</b>	<b>FLOOR SUB</b>	<b>PERFECTN</b>	<b>PASSAGE</b>
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